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SUBJ: NEPAL AND BOEING PAYOFFS

1. SAMRAKSHAK, A MINOR WEEKLY PAPER IN KATHMANDU, HAS CHARGED THAT BOEING MADE A 5 MILLION RUPEE PAYOFF TO NEPALESE OFFICIALS IN ORDER TO SELL 727 TO RNAC IN 1972. ACCORDING TOPAPER "RECENT REPORTS PUBLISHED IN SOME FOREIGN PAPERS SHOW THAT NEPAL WAS INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF COUNTRIES TO WHOM BOEING HAS PAID MONEY TO PROMOTE THE SALE OF ITS EQUIPMENT." THE PAPER URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION TO FIND OUT IF ALLEGATIONS ARE TRUE AND TO RECOVER MONEY FROM CONCERNED OFFICIALS.

2. COMMENT: WE BELEIVE AN INVESTIAGATION WAS HELD AT TIME BOEING MADE INITIAL SALE IN 1972, BUT NO ACTION WAS TAKEN AGAINST OFFICIALS RUMORED TO HAVE ACCEPTED PAYMENTS FROM BOEING. THIS IS FIRST WE HAVE HEARD THAT NEPAL HAS BEEN CITED IN PRESS AS COUNTRY IN WHICH BOEING MADE PAYOFFS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE ABOUT THE ALLEGATION. MAYTAG

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